he and his colleagues would railroad small American corporations that were inclined to be recalcitrant, seize their books and cart them off, ostensibly for the purpose of photographing them, but actually to force the company, paralyzed by the loss of its records, to submit. I was a little shocked, and I asked, "Lieutenant, didn't it seem to you that you were violating the constitutional rights of American business men?" He was a young man, and he answered promptly, "Rights? Why, they're capitalists. When we stand them up against a wall, we shoot them in the belly: they die longer that way."

That was how I first came to suspect the real orientation of Communist minds, but only after years of observations, and with help from the illuminating analysis by Denis de Rougemont, did I realize that the young man was exceptional only in the readiness with which he let slip the mask. The true Communist, whatever disguise he may wear when he moves among you, is, in the literal and exact meaning of the English word, a thug, that is, a man who has made a religion of murder.

He is driven by an overwhelming lust to destroy... and uproot to annihilate civilization, to kill — and even more than that, to make decent men and women suffer, to degrade them to the level of animals. And he will work constantly, tirelessly, with infinite cunning for his ideal: The day when he will drag you from your home, kick in your teeth, crack your ribs, and throw you into a slave-labor camp where you will drag out the rest of your life in a degradation that you have never imagined even in nightmares. That is what he yearns for. Economic and social theories are merely a disguise to befuddle suckers.

In 1872, when the headquarters of the international Communist conspiracy were openly and officially transferred to New York City, there were only a few hundred people in the United States who were inspired by this bloodlust. But they went to work, patiently, doggedly, and with vicious cunning, to extend their tentacles over the entire nation. They went underground. By 1876 practically all of the members, including, of course, the new recruits, had been instructed to conceal their membership and deny that they were Communists; to penetrate existing American organizations, and to help one another attain positions of influence and power in those organizations; to work for the Communist goal under the guise of "social reform" and "democracy." This is, of course, the basic strategy that has been followed ever since.

By 1907 the Communists were strong enough to organize a wing of the party that operated openly under the leadership of a criminal named William Z. Foster. One of Foster's closest associates and advisers, in 1907 or soon thereafter, was Felix Frankfurter, an immigrant who had wormed his way into the post of secretary to the Secretary of War in the cabinet of President Howard Taft.

By 1910 the first big Communist cell was planted in an American university — Harvard, of course. So far as I have been able to learn, the famous cells in Teachers College of Columbia University were not organized until somewhat later.

By 1917 the Communist conspiracy in the United States was strong enough directly to affect the policies of the American government. As everyone knows, the Communist seizure of power in Russia was carried out by priminals trained in the United States. A whole shipload of this vermin was sent from New York City under the command of a butcher named Leib Bronstein, who became famous under one of his many aliases, Leon Trotsky. This ship was intercepted by the British Navy and taken to Halifax, but a vigorous protest from President Wilson forced the British to release this shipment of human germs and escort it to Russia.

The pressure on Wilson doubtless came from several sources, but the most important seems to have been a banker named Jakob Schiff, who had been the financial manager of Wilson's presidential campaign,



and whose banking house, Kuhn, Loeb & Co., had more than a year earlier deposited in Swedish banks \$50,000,000 in the name of Trotsky and another degenerate whose true name and early career has never been satisfactorily ascertained but who is known to history as Nikolai Lenin.

In 1918 Felix Frankfurter was publicly denounced by former President Theodore Roosevelt as a soul-mate of Lenin and Trotsky. He accordingly retired from the American government to a professorship in Harvard University, where he settled down to train two generations of traitors and slip them into positions of responsibility in Washington or into law schools throughout the nation. Alger Hiss was but one of the hundreds whom Frankfurter prepared for their important tasks.

I have mentioned these dates primarily to remind you of the great progress that the Communist conspiracy made before 1919; when they decided to set up an official political party headed by William Z. Foster. This official party, the segment of the conspiracy that is openly displayed, has never been large. It probably has never had over 90,000 card-carrying members at any one time. It has served on the one hand as a recruiting and testing agency to enlist talented conspirators who, after they had proven their worth and ability, could quietly be transferred to one or another division of the underground, and it has served on the other hand as a shield to mask and facilitate the work of the part of the apparatus that consists of conspirators who pose as "liberal intellectuals," and who urge the American people to save themselves from Communism by reforming their legal and economic system along Communist lines at home, and by taxing themselves to finance Communist governments abroad. . . .

Now these foreign events, although, of course, designed to weaken further our military position, are in the Communist plans, strictly subordinate to the great program of internal subversion. This also has its center in Washington. Let me call your attention to one detail that you may not have noticed. We have all read about the president's socalled "economy" budget, and the loud yammering in Congress for increased expenditures, which is, of course, primarily a means of making foolish Americans think they have gained something if merely the crippling burden of that "economy" budget is dumped on their backs. Taxation has always been one of the primary instruments of the Communist conspiracy. You may remember the famous remark that is attributed to Harry Hopkins, I know not how accurately: "We have to bleed the American pigs before we butcher them."

But in this "economy" budget one should note which department of government was granted the largest increase. It is the Department of Health, Education and Welfare which, in this budget, is granted a total outlay of \$3,139,719,000 — an increase of one billion dollars over 1954. Now this is the agency that is spending its money to promote such things as fluoridation of public water supplies.

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare is also the agency that is currently promoting another Communist scheme to enlist the services of well-meaning dupes under the guise of "social good." The current agitation about Mental Health was begun by the World Health Organization whose president was that ubiquitous traitor, Alger Hiss. It is sponsored in this country by the National Association for Mental Health, whose director, Julius Schreiber, refused to tell a Congressional committee whether or not he was a Communist on the grounds that his answer might incriminate him.

But the greatest promotion is, of course, done with your money by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. In this one department observers in Washington estimate that 75 to 80% of the responsible officers are conspirators.

I have said enough, I think, to suggest how desperate our situation is. Our ancestors were never confronted by a danger so terrible and so immediate.

But I permit myself to see some hope. As the huge sale of the Overstreet book shows, The American people, who watched in a narcotic apathy, induced by the press and the radio, while the Communist conspiracy struck down the late Senator Joseph McCarthy, are at last becoming faintly aware of their danger. Some people everywhere have been made uneasy by such outrageous exhibitions of Communist confidence as the use of paratroopers in Little Rock to overawe Americans who thought that they had constitutional rights. Protest is at last being heard against taxes that are imposed ostensibly for "welfare" and "progress," but in reality merely to bleed dry what Hopkins called "the American pigs." Farmers are rejecting the bribes offered them by the commissars, and resenting governmental terrorism. And what is even more important, on the local level in many a community people are becoming aware of the real purposes behind such things as regional planning, fluoridation, "mental health," "counselling programs" in the schools, and the many other local activities that serve the Communist purpose of persuading the boobs to fasten on themselves their own chains.

Remember that the tentacles of the conspiracy reach into your home town, where its puppets are promoting fluoridation, "mental health," and innumerable other plans to accustom us to gradually increasing slavery and intimidation.

Make your voice heard. Each one of you belongs to a club or a social circle. Speak out: tell Americans of their danger.

Our ancestors risked their lives and their honor to create this nation. Is it too much to ask us to risk our lives, if necessary, to recapture it from our enemies?

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